



District of Columbia

# STATE DATA CENTER

## 2007-2011 ACS

# KEY DEMOGRAPHIC INDICATORS



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2007-2011 AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY, KEY DEMOGRAPHIC INDICATORS										
Key Indicators	United States	District Wide	Ward 1	Ward 2	Ward 3	Ward 4	Ward 5	Ward 6	Ward 7	Ward 8
Total Population	306,603,772	593,955	75,454	76,815	77,346	76,207	74,528	76,288	68,768	68,549
Population by Sex (%)										
Male	49.2%	47.3%	50.1%	50.3%	44.8%	47.5%	47.2%	49.6%	42.5%	45.4%
Female	50.8%	52.7%	49.9%	49.7%	55.2%	52.5%	52.8%	50.4%	57.5%	54.6%
Population by Age (%)										
Under 5 Years	6.6%	5.6%	5.1%	2.9%	4.3%	6.1%	5.2%	5.5%	6.5%	9.9%
Youths - Under 18 Years	24.2%	17.3%	12.7%	6.4%	12.9%	20.1%	18.4%	13.1%	26.7%	30.8%
18 – 64 Years	62.9%	71.3%	79.9%	84.9%	71.6%	64.8%	67.2%	77.4%	59.8%	62.0%
Seniors - 65 Years & Over	12.9%	11.4%	7.4%	8.7%	15.5%	15.1%	14.4%	9.5%	13.5%	7.2%
Median Age (years)	37.0	34.1	31.4	30.7	37.1	40.0	37.6	34.3	37.3	28.5
Population by Race (%)										
White	74.1%	38.9%	53.2%	73.2%	82.7%	23.6%	13.9%	50.5%	1.9%	3.8%
Black	12.5%	51.9%	34.2%	13.2%	5.1%	62.1%	78.4%	41.3%	96.7%	94.6%
American Indian & Alaska Native	0.8%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%
Asian	4.7%	3.5%	4.0%	8.7%	7.2%	1.4%	1.3%	4.3%	0.3%	0.2%
Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Some Other Race Alone	5.1%	3.4%	6.1%	2.3%	1.8%	10.4%	3.9%	1.2%	0.2%	0.6%
Two or More Races	2.5%	1.9%	1.9%	2.2%	2.9%	2.1%	2.1%	2.2%	0.8%	0.7%
Hispanic/Latino Population (# and %)	49,215,563 16.1%	53,372 9.0%	15,436 20.5%	7,458 9.7%	5,938 7.7%	13,124 17.2%	5,260 7.1%	3,797 5.0%	983 1.4%	1,376 2.0%
Foreign-born Population (%)	12.8%	13.3%	22.0%	19.5%	18.1%	20.3%	9.7%	9.0%	2.8%	2.7%
Commuting to Work										
% Population 16 years and over	139,488,206	297,730	46,396	45,412	44,442	36,755	32,484	44,334	25,604	22,303
% Private vehicle (drove alone)	76.1%	35.5%	25.8%	23.5%	40.4%	46.2%	43.4%	30.5%	45.2%	39.8%
% Private vehicle (carpooled)	10.2%	6.5%	5.2%	3.3%	6.1%	8.8%	8.3%	5.1%	8.6%	9.9%
% Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	5.0%	37.5%	45.4%	28.4%	35.5%	36.0%	37.2%	37.7%	41.3%	42.5%
% Walked	2.8%	12.0%	12.2%	34.7%	7.1%	2.8%	5.6%	16.2%	1.3%	3.3%
% Other Means	1.7%	3.7%	6.2%	4.6%	3.6%	2.3%	3.1%	5.0%	0.8%	1.1%
% Worked at home	4.2%	4.8%	5.3%	5.5%	7.3%	4.0%	2.4%	5.5%	2.9%	3.4%
Mean Travel Time to Work (minutes)	25.4	29.6	29.3	23.9	27.4	32.4	30.5	26.4	36.6	38.1
Households with Vehicle (%)	91.1%	63.9%	58.5%	53.6%	77.7%	75.2%	66.4%	65.9%	60.3%	51.7%
% Unemployed	5.6%	6.7%	5.4%	2.4%	2.5%	7.4%	9.6%	5.5%	11.2%	12.4%
Educational Attainment										
Population 25 Years and Over	202,048,123	407,576	53,858	52,182	55,955	54,415	50,771	57,691	44,225	38,479
% High School Graduate or Higher	85.4%	87.1%	84.1%	92.7%	97.1%	84.1%	81.7%	90.0%	83.4%	80.6%
% Bachelor's Degree or Higher	28.2%	50.5%	59.3%	77.4%	83.9%	42.2%	30.0%	62.1%	17.3%	12.3%
Income										
Median Household Income	\$52,762	\$61,835	\$69,083	\$83,989	\$100,652	\$60,689	\$50,882	\$85,421	\$38,535	\$30,705
Mean Household Income	\$72,555	\$96,183	\$90,488	\$127,118	\$154,145	\$96,241	\$66,365	\$109,665	\$50,254	\$41,195
Per Capita Income	\$27,915	\$43,993	\$43,219	\$65,876	\$76,174	\$39,385	\$28,704	\$53,163	\$22,669	\$16,941
Poverty										
% Families in Poverty	10.5%	13.9%	11.5%	4.1%	2.0%	7.1%	15.0%	11.6%	22.8%	33.1%
% Individuals in Poverty	14.3%	18.2%	14.5%	14.2%	8.0%	11.7%	20.1%	16.0%	25.8%	36.7%
% Under 18 years in Poverty	20.0%	28.3%	21.9%	9.8%	2.2%	14.6%	25.9%	27.1%	40.7%	49.0%
Housing Occupancy										
Total Housing Units (#)	131,034,946	295,510	37,810	44,240	40,692	32,114	34,393	40,454	34,230	31,577
Vacant Housing Units	12.4%	12.0%	10.3%	12.3%	7.9%	8.1%	13.2%	12.4%	14.9%	17.5%
Occupied Housing Unit	87.6%	88.0%	89.7%	87.7%	92.1%	91.9%	86.8%	87.6%	85.1%	82.5%
% Owner-occupied Units	66.1%	42.8%	33.9%	36.7%	52.2%	59.9%	48.2%	45.7%	40.7%	22.9%
% Renter-occupied Units	33.9%	57.2%	66.1%	63.3%	47.8%	40.1%	51.8%	54.3%	59.3%	77.1%
% Homeowner Vacancy Rate	2.4	2.9	1.4	2.6	1.8	2.2	4.2	4.3	3.8	4.0
% Renter Vacancy Rate	7.8	6.3	3.1	7.0	5.7	6.8	9.7	4.7	6.8	7.3
Median Value of Owner-occupied Housing Units	\$186,200	\$442,600	\$490,700	\$598,200	\$752,000	\$469,200	\$358,200	\$493,700	\$249,200	\$261,400
Median Monthly Gross Rent	\$871	\$1,135	\$1,241	\$1,487	\$1,565	\$969	\$892	\$1,311	\$822	\$844
Households by Type										
Total Households (#)	114,761,359	260,136	33,923	38,792	37,481	29,500	29,848	35,443	29,113	26,036
Family Households (#)	76,507,230	109,514	11,000	9,206	14,913	16,657	14,001	13,280	15,335	15,122
Married-couples	49.3%	22.1%	18.2%	19.0%	34.8%	32.4%	18.5%	22.5%	15.4%	13.4%
Female Householder (no husband)	12.7%	16.2%	9.9%	3.3%	3.5%	19.5%	22.7%	12.0%	32.1%	38.7%
Male Householder (no wife)	4.6%	3.7%	4.3%	1.5%	1.5%	4.5%	5.8%	3.0%	5.2%	5.9%
Non-family Households (#)	38,254,129	150,622	22,923	29,586	22,568	12,843	15,847	22,163	13,778	10,914
Living Alone	27.3%	46.7%	49.5%	59.7%	48.7%	35.8%	44.7%	47.9%	43.5%	37.6%
Average Household Size	2.60	2.13	2.08	1.67	1.90	2.54	2.30	1.99	2.34	2.52
Average Family Size	3.19	3.15	3.18	2.64	2.74	3.37	3.37	2.92	3.37	3.40
Language Spoken at Home										
Population 5 years and over (#)	286,433,395	560,607	71,618	74,589	74,015	71,544	70,618	72,124	64,319	61,780
English Only (%)	79.7%	85.5%	78.6%	79.0%	79.7%	77.1%	90.4%	89.0%	96.8%	96.6%
Language Other Than English (%)	20.3%	14.5%	21.4%	21.0%	20.3%	22.9%	9.6%	11.0%	3.2%	3.4%
Spanish (%)	12.6%	7.1%	12.3%	7.5%	6.2%	14.8%	5.9%	4.7%	1.9%	2.0%

# DC Ward Data at a Glance

The U.S. Census Bureau has released its third five-year (2007-2011) data product from the American Community Survey (ACS) that contains information on the characteristics of the population of the District of Columbia’s eight wards. This release is based on sample data collected on a monthly basis from January 2007 through December 2011 and covers socio-economic, housing and demographic characteristics of the nation and states, down to the census tract level. The District of Columbia’s ward characteristics are included under the State Legislative District (SLD) products. The ACS and other Census Bureau products are collectively important components of the nation’s information infrastructure, providing data that are essential to our economy, communities and neighborhoods.

## What is the American Community Survey?

The American Community Survey (ACS) is the successor to the former census “long form” that historically produced demographic, housing and socioeconomic data for the nation as part of the once-a-decade census. The decennial census program, which includes the ACS and the 2010 Census, serves as the basis for the allocation of more than \$400 billion in federal funds to state, local and tribal governments every year. These vital data also guide planning in the private sector as well as the work done by policymakers at all levels of government and in communities of all sizes. All survey responses are strictly confidential and protected by law.

The ACS samples nearly 3 million addresses each year, resulting in nearly 2 million final interviews. The annual ACS sample is smaller than that of the previous census 2000 long-form sample, which included about 18 million housing units. As a result, the ACS needs to combine population or housing data from multiple years to produce reliable numbers for small counties, neighborhoods, and other local areas. To provide information for communities each year, the ACS produces 1-year, 3-year and 5-year estimates. ACS data are very timely because the 1-year data products, for instant, are released in the year immediately following the year in which the data are collected. Starting with the data collected in 2005, ACS information has been published for areas with populations of 65,000 or more. In the fall of 2008, the first 3-year estimates were released based on data from the 2005, 2006, and 2007 surveys. In December 2010, the ACS provided the first 5-year estimates of demographic, housing, social, and economic characteristics for the nation, states, cities, counties, and other small geographic areas. The 5-year estimates are updated annually by removing the earliest year and replacing it with the latest one, and provide the ability to monitor social and economic trends in local communities.

As is the case with all surveys, statistics from sample surveys are subject to sampling and nonsampling errors. All comparisons made in the reports have been tested and found to be statistically significant at the 90 percent confidence level, unless otherwise noted.

*Please see Key Demographic Indicators for the District of Columbia from the 2007-2011 American Community Survey on the next page.*

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